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SUBJ: SECRETARY'S VISIT: ADMINISTRATIVE/LOGISTICAL
ARRANGEMENTS --SENEGAL

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1. THERE ARE TWO HOUSING OPTIONS FOR SECRETARY'S
PARTY DURING DAKAR VISIT.

OPTION A: HOTEL DES ALMADIES, ON AFRICA'S WESTERN-
MOST POINT, NEAR AIRPORT, HALF-HOUR'S DRIVE FROM
EMBASSY, FOREIGN MINISTRY AND PRESIDENTIAL PALACE.
WOULD EXPECT NO DIFFICULTY IN BLOCKING SUITE AND OTHER
REQUIRED DOUBLES AND SINGLES FOR OFFICES AND BEDROOMS. HOTEL
IS KNOWN TO AF/W DIRECTOR SMITH AND SORENSEN OF RSO
ABIDJAN. DISADVANTAGE IS TRANSIT TIME DURING LESS THAN
24 HOUR SOJOURN.

OPTION B: PRESIDENTIAL PALACE ANNEX AND MID-TOWN HOTEL
TERANGA. AT THE SAME TIME GOS PROPOSED HOTEL DES ALMADIES, IT
OFFERED TO ACCOMMODATE SECRETARY AND MRS. KISSINGER IN
PRESIDENTIAL GUEST HOUSE WHICH IS PHYSICALLY SEPARATE ANNEX
ON GROUNDS OF PALACE OF THE REPUBLIC. WE ARE UNABLE PRESENTLY
TO VISIT GUEST HOUSE BECAUSE IVORY COAST PRESIDENT

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HOUPHOUET-BOIGNY PRESENTLY HOUSED THERE FOR 3 OR 4 DAYS BUT

CHIEF OF PROTOCOL INDICATES IT HAS FIRST FLOOR OFFICE, DINING ROOM, AND LARGE LIVING ROOM. THERE ARE THREE BEDROOMS UPSTAIRS. GUEST HOUSE COULD BE VISITED SOMETIME NEXT WEEK. REST OF PARTY WOULD BE HOUSED IN HOTEL TERANGA FOUR SHORT BLOCKS FROM GUEST HOUSE AND FIVE MINUTE WALK FROM EMBASSY. TERANGA'S SUITES NOT CONSIDERED SUITABLE FOR SECRETARY'S REQUIREMENTS. IF DEPT CLEARLY PREFERS OPTION A, GOS WOULD UNDERSTAND. CHIEF OF PROTOCOL SAID PALACE ANNEX WOULD STILL BE AVAILABLE FOR SECRETARY AND MRS. KISSINGER, IF DESIRED FOR USE BETWEEN APPOINTMENTS ON MAY 2, EVEN IF ENTIRE PARTY LODGED AT HOTEL ALMADIES.

2. EMBASSY WILL MAKE RECOMMENDATIONS BY SEPTTEL CONCERNING CHOICE OF HOUSING OPTIONS AS SOON AS WE HAVE OPPORTUNITY TO EXAMINE SPACE PROVIDED BY GUEST HOUSE.
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